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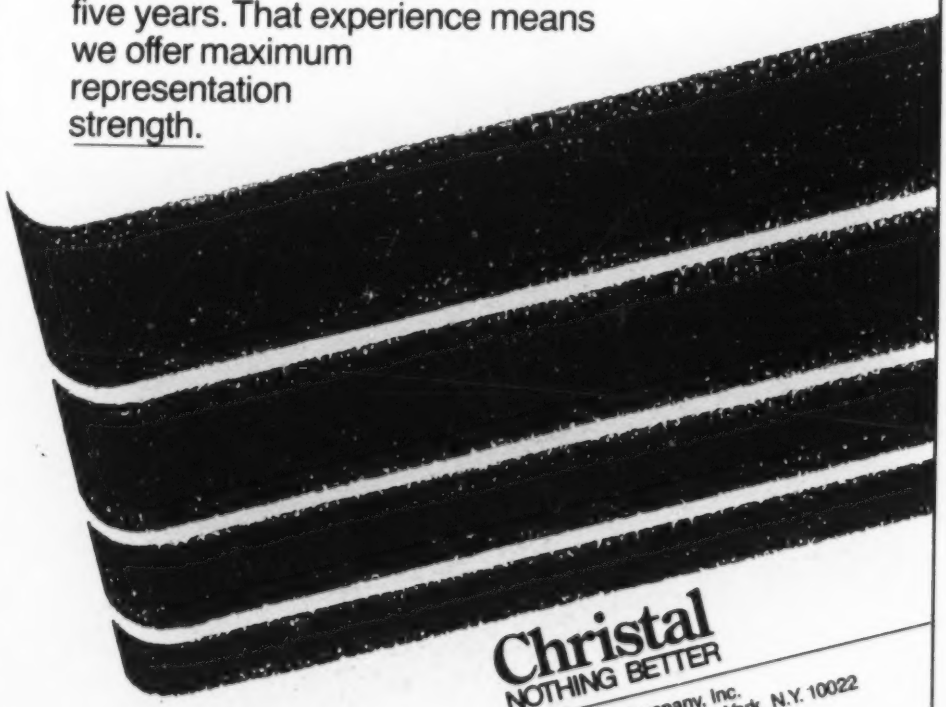

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(BAL790919EQ). Action Nov. 30.

■ KSTB(AM) Breckenridge, Tex. (1430 khz, 1 kw-D)—Broadcast Bureau granted assignment of license from Regal Broadcasting Corp. to Bintz Enterprises for $305,000. Seller is principally owned by V. A. Moser, who has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by James Bintz, who owns chain of convenience stores in western Texas. He has no other broadcast interests. (BAL791002HX). Nov. 30.

■ KLIF(AM) Dallas (1190 khz, 50 kw-D, 5 kw-N)—Broadcast Bureau granted assignment of license from Fairchild KLIF Inc. to Susquehanna Broadcasting Co. for $4.25 million. Seller is subsidiary of Fairchild Industries, Germantown, Md., publicily traded aerospace manufacturer. Edward G. Uhl is chairman; John Dealy is president. Buyer is group broadcaster with six AM's, one TV and six FM's, including KPLX(FM) Fort Worth Tex. It is owned by Louis J. Appell Jr. and family. (BAL791005ER). Action Dec. 10.

Facilities Changes

Grants

■ WGRK-FM, Greensburg, Ky.—Granted CP to increase ERP: 2 kw (H&V); ant. height: 370 ft. (H&V); make changes in ant. sys. (BPH790601AG). Action Dec. 6.

■ WVCA-FM, Gloucester, Mass.—Granted CP to change TL to Kondelin Rd. in Cape Ann Park, Gloucester, Mass; change type ant. and increase ERP: 3 kw (H); increase ant. height: 260 ft. (H) (BPH-790108AP). Action Dec. 7.

■ KICJ(FM), Bayard, N.M.—Granted mod of CP to change TL to 8½ miles NW of Bayard; install new ant; increase ERP: .180 kw (H&V) and ant. height: 1000 ft. (H&V) (BMPH790228AL). Action Dec. 6.

■ Radio Broadcasting Co., Philadelphia, PA.,—Granted mod. of CP to change ERP: 269 kw; change TL to Umbria and Paoli Aves., Philadelphia; change SL to Presidential Blvd. & Winding Dr., Philadelphia; change type trans. and ant. height: 1160 ft. (BMPCT790803KH). Action Nov. 29.

■ KTXT-TV Lubbock, Tex.—Granted CP to change ERP: 63.1 kw; ant. height: 740 ft. (BPET790226KH) Action Nov. 27.

Applications

■ KUCB(AM) Tucson, Ariz. seeks CP to make changes in ant. sys. increase height of tower. Ann. Dec. 11.

■ WIVQ(FM) Peru, Ill.—seeks CP to make changes in ant. sys.; change TL to: 2 mi. S. of Peru, E. of County Rd. 16, Near Peru, Ill.; change type trans.; change type ant. (Collins G5CPM-2E, 2 sects. circular polarized); change ERP: 0.998kw (H&V); increase HAAT: 464' (H&V) & chg. TPO. 41° 17' 32" 89° 07' 58". Ann. Dec. 11.

■ WLJC(FM) Beattyville, Ky.—Seeks CP to utilize former main trans. & ant. as aux. ant. Ann. Dec. 11.

■ KLFB(AM) Lubbock, Tex.—Seeks Mod. of CP (BP-781205AE) to change TL to: Near VFW Highway and 82nd St., Lubbock, Tex. Ann. Dec. 11.

In Contest

FCC Decision

■ FCC has denied a petition filed by Robert E. Jacobson, coordinator for California Friends of Public Broadcasting, requesting reconsideration of June 20 action renewing license of noncommercial educational TV station KCET (Ch. 28) at Los Angeles. KCET is licensed to Community Television of Southern California (CTSC). FCC noted it had considered the group's petition to deny as informal objection, denied it and renewed KCET's license after concluding that rules neither prohibited way CTSC selected its directors, nor limited salaries that noncommercial educational stations could pay corporate officers and managerial staff. As for programing, FCC said group had submitted no specific facts connecting percentage of local programming with any failure to serve local needs or interests; nor had they shown that any local needs and interests had not been met. FCC said it had found no evidence of overt employment discrimination against Latinos and women, nor that an interview with an Arco representative involved a controversial issue of public importance where CSTC failed to provide an opportunity for presentation of contrasting views. Action Dec. 4.

Summary of broadcasting

FCC tabulations as of August 31

	Licensed	On air STA*	CP's on air	Total on air	CP's not on air	Total authorized**
Commercial AM	4521	5	21	4547	86	4633
Commercial FM	3109	2	52	3163	142	3305
Educational FM	983	0	31	1014	76	1090
Total Radio	8613	7	104	8724	304	9028
Commercial TV						
VHF	514	1	2	517	8	525
UHF	218	0	2	220	60	280
Educational TV						
VHF	98	1	6	105	5	110
UHF	152	2	4	158	7	165
Total TV	982	4	14	1000	80	1080
FM Translators	273	0	0	273	117	390
TV Translators						
UHF	1186	0	0	1186	363	1549
VHF	2432	0	0	2432	219	2651

*Special temporary authorization **Includes off-air licenses

Procedural Rulings

■ Dewitt, Ariz. (Dewitt Broadcasting Co., Inc. (KDEW-AM-FM)) **Renewal Proceeding.** (BC Docs. 79247-48)—ALJ Frederick J. Coufal set procedural schedule, including Feb. 26 for hearing at 10:00 A.M. in or near DeWitt. Action Dec. 5.

■ Oakland, Calif. (Rodney R. Thibodeaux) **Revocation proceeding:** (PR Doc. 79-319)—Chief ALJ Lenore G. Ehrig designated ALJ John M. Frysiak as presiding judge and scheduled prehearing conference and hearing for Jan. 8, 1980 at 10:00 A.M. in or near Oakland. Action Dec. 3.

■ Clovis and Visalia, Calif. (Golden-Door Properties, Ltd.,) **TV Proceeding:** (RM-3516)—Policy and Rules Division extended through Jan. 7, 1980 the time for filing replies to oppositions to petition for rulemaking proposing deletion of TV Ch. 43, reserved for noncommercial educational use at Visalia, and its reassignment to Clovis, for commercial use (amendment of Section 73.606(b), Television Table of Assignments) (by Order Extending Time). Action Dec. 10.

■ Seaford, Del. (Seaford Television Co. and URC Management Services Corp.) **TV Proceeding:** (BC Docs. 79-297-98)—ALJ Joseph Chachkin granted to limited extent motion by Seaford and ordered that the Powley depositions will be taken in Altoona, Pa., and URC will not be precluded from inquiring into statements made by Powleys to citizens of Del. about STC's proposal; granted joint petition for leave to intervene. Actions Dec. 4 and 6.

■ Avon Park, Fla. (Charles A. Esposito and Highlands Ridge, Inc.) **FM Proceeding.** (BC Doc. 79-84-85)—ALJ Frederick J. Coufal at the request of Broadcast Bureau, extended the time for all parties to submit proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law to Dec. 17, and replies to Jan. 4, 1980. Action Dec. 6.

■ Flemingsburg, Ky. (Fleming County Broadcasting, Inc. and Flemingsburg Broadcasting Co., Inc.) **AM Proceeding:** (BC Docs: 79-278-79)—ALJ Frederic J. Coufal set procedural schedule governing the proceeding, including hearing for March 11, 1980 at 10:00 A.M., in Wash. D.C. Action Dec. 5.

■ Boston, Mass. (RKO General, Inc. WNAC-TV et al.) **TV Proceeding:** (Docs. 18759-61)—Office of Opinions and Review granted petition by The Dudley Station Corp. and amended its application to reflect Dudley's current address, issuance of new shares of Class B common stock and stockholdings of Dudley stockholders, and required information relating to certain new shareholders. Action Dec. 4.

■ Jackson, Miss. (Civic Communications Corp. et al) **TV Proceeding:** (79M-1457)—Chief ALJ Lenore G. Ehrig has ended 25-year-old WLBT-TV, Ch. 3, Jackson, Miss., television proceeding by approving a settlement agreement and merger of four of five competing applicants for new station on Ch. 3, and awarding license to black-controlled (51 percent) TV-3, Inc. Aaron Henry, president of Mississippi Chapter of NAACP will chair eight member board of directors of TV-3, Inc. Board will be made up of directors from competing applicants—three from Civic Communications Corp., two from Dixie National Broadcasting Corp.; and one each from Jackson Television, Inc. and Channel 3, Inc. Stockholders will elect eighth director. Lamar Life Broadcasting Co., former licensee of Ch. 3 and competing applicant, is not part of merged corporation. Action Nov. 30.

■ Omaha, Neb. (Webster-Baker Broadcasting Co. et al.) **AM and FM Proceeding:** (BC Docs. 78-337-39)—ALJ Frederick J. Coufal granted petition by Omaha Broadcasting Serivce Co. and amended its application to increase number of authorized shares and to submit new subscription agreements executed by Omaha stockholders. Action Dec. 5.

■ Lincoln, N.D. (KBMR Radio, Inc.) **AM Proceeding.** (BC Doc. 79-253)—ALJ John M. Frysiak granted motion by KBMR and extended through Jan. 11, 1980, time to respond to Bismark-Mandan Communications, Inc.'s motion for production of documents and its first set of interrogatories. Action Dec. 5.

■ Cincinnati, Ohio (John V. Walker) **Revocation Proceeding:** (PR Doc. 79-320)—Chief ALJ Lenore G. Ehrig designated ALJ Joseph Chachkin as presiding judge and scheduled prehearing conference and hearing for Jan. 17, 1980 at 10:00 A.M., in or near Cincinnati. Action Dec. 4.

■ Springfield, Ore. **TV Proceeding:** Broadcast Bureau denied motion by Community Vision Systems, Inc. to dismiss Springfield Broadcasting Associates' application for CP for new TV station to operate on Ch. 16, Springfield, on the grounds that it was not substantially complete; and ordered that Springfield's application will be accepted for filing at the appropriate time (ARN790507KK). Action Nov. 19.

■ Corpus Christi, Tex. (KUNO FM, Inc. et al.) **FM Proceeding:** (BC Docs 79-223-26)—ALJ John M. Frysiak scheduled further-prehearing conference for Jan. 15, 1980 at 10:00 A.M. and continued without date hearing scheduled for Jan. 8. Action Jan. 6.

■ Laredo, Tex. (Radio Laredo, Inc. and Laredo Broadcasting Co., Inc.) **FM Proceeding:** (BC Docs. 79-316-17)—Chief ALJ Lenore Ehrig designated ALJ Joseph Stirmer as presiding judge; scheduled prehearing conference for Feb. 4, 1980 at 10:00 A.M. and hearing for March 3, 1980 at 10:00 A.M., in Wash. D.C. Action Dec. 4.

Allocations

Applications

■ Anchorage, Alaska—Alaska Public Broadcasting Commission requests amendment of sections 73.220(b) & 73.603(b) of the Commission's rules regarding the allocation and assignment of FM and TV broadcast channels in Alaska. Ann. Dec. 12.

■ Houston—Entertainment Communications Inc. requests amendment FM Table of Assignments to assign Ch. 292A to Lockhart, Tex.; substitute Ch. 296A for 292A at Gonzales, Tex. Ann. Dec. 12.